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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

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BILL NUMBER: HB 1351

NOTE PREPARED: Dec 21, 2008

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Enforcement of Environmental Management Laws.

FIRST AUTHOR: Rep. Dvorak

FIRST SPONSOR:

BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FUNDS AFFECTED: ☒ **GENERAL**
☒ **DEDICATED**
☐ **FEDERAL**

IMPACT: State & Local

Summary of Legislation: This bill requires the Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) to include an office to enforce environmental management laws and rules.

Effective Date: July 1, 2009.

Explanation of State Expenditures: The impact of the bill will depend on implementation. In 2008 IDEM announced the elimination of the Office of Enforcement as a separate entity. The Office of Enforcement currently consists of a water, air, and land section. Staff from these separate sections will be moved into other existing program areas.

The State Personnel Department staffing report indicated that, as of December 15, 2008, IDEM had 47 vacant positions with salaries totaling \$1.7 M. Of the 47 vacant positions, 41 have been vacant for a year or less. IDEM reverted \$5.9 M to the state General Fund and \$14.4 M in all funds in FY 2008.

The number of vacant positions and the divisions affected are listed below.

IDEM Vacant Positions as of December 15, 2008	
Division	Vacant Positions
Environmental Response Office	2
Pollution Prevention	1
State Solid Waste Grants Management	1
Title V Air Permit Program	6
Water Management-Permitting	5
Solid Waste Management-Permitting	4
Hazardous Waste Management--Permitting	6
Environmental Management Operating	5
Northwest Regional Office	1
Legal Affairs	1
Enforcement	1
Media and Communications	1
Air Management Operating	3
Water Management -- Non-Permitting	2
Underground Storage Tanks	1
Hazardous Waste Sites-State Cleanup	3
UPST Operating	1
N/A	3

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: IDEM

Local Agencies Affected: Local units concerned about environmental protection.

Information Sources: Indiana State Personnel Department Staffing Report; Amber Finkelstein, IDEM, <http://www.in.gov/idem/5389.htm>, and as reported by the Post Tribune, <http://www.post-trib.com/news/1330715,idem.article>.

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